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## REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH **EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of three (3) months in which to respond to the Office Action mailed April 9, 2003, with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the period for response from July 9, 2003 to October 9, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2198 in the amount of \$950.00 for payment of the three-month extension fee. Applicants believe that no other fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for any fee deficiencies associated with filing this paper.

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